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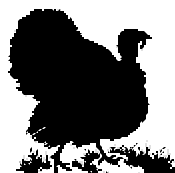
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady, instances firm. No trading was reported. Offerings held with confidence. Demand was light to moderate. Bulk parts and meats trading was mixed. Buyers remain cautious and selective.

### EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export trading centered on tom drums and thigh meat, balance slow. Inquiry was uneven as some buyers are keeping inventories in a close position.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JULY 08, 2004**

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/					FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-70	71	71.00	40	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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CENTRAL REGION 4/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	70-71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JULY 09, 2004	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	70.50 **	70.00	58.40
CENTRAL REGION	71.00	69.60 **	57.14
WESTERN REGION	70.50 **	71.00	60.00 **
16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	70.50 **	70.00	57.28
CENTRAL REGION	70.00 **	69.20 **	56.10
WESTERN REGION	70.00 **	69.60 **	58.00 **

\*\*BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,  
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	107
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	107
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	71-74
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	70-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	72-80

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY  
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	99-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	105-130

**FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT U.S. GRADE A,  
DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS  
PER POUND, WEEK OF 12-JUL-2004**

	<u>(8-16#)</u>		<u>(16-24#)</u>	
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>LBS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>LBS</u>
	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>(000)</u>
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	76.30	47	76.25	20
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED)	76.30	47	76.25	20
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)				
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)		40		40

**TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND (IN THOUSAND POUNDS)  
SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS**

JUNE	456,968*
JULY 1-3, 2004	41,279*
To date 2004	2,521,048*
To date 2003	2,738,083*

\* PRELIMINARY

**NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS**

Week ending 03-JUL-04

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

	<u>—YOUNG TURKEYS—</u>			<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL TURKEYS</u>	
	<u>THOUSAND</u>	<u>PCT CHG</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>BANDED</u>	<u>HEAD-</u>	<u>AVG</u>
	<u>HEAD</u>	<u>PW</u>	<u>LIVE WT</u>	<u>-THOUSAND</u>	<u>HEAD-</u>	<u>LIVE WT</u>
N EAST	893	7	22.27	(A)	894	22.27
SATL	760	-2	29.92	(A)	761	29.92
N CENT	2,104	1	31.86	(A)	2,105	31.86
S CENT	589	23	22.19	(A)	590	22.19
WEST	235	-30	26.13	(A)	236	26.13
U.S. TOTAL	4,581(B)	1	28.13	5	4,586	28.13

TO-DATE

2004 111,154(B) 173 111,327

TO-DATE

2003 119,929(B) 373 120,302

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 44,000; for the current year to date 1,163,000; for last year to date 1,624,000.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED**

W/E 03-JUL-04

	<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>		<u>TURKEYS</u>
	<u>-----THOUSANDS-----</u>				
HEAD	1,809	2,728	44	5	4,586
AVG WT	15.94	36.27	24.75	26.44	28.13
LAST WEEK	1,729	2,743	46	2	4,520
SAME WK YR AGO	1,639	2,256	47	2	3,944
AVG WT	16.06	35.91	24.01	44.56	27.52
TO-DATE/2004	44,604	65,387	1,163	173	111,327
TO-DATE/2003	47,510	70,795	1,624	373	120,302

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 08 JULY 2004.

The market tone on ton breast meat was steady to fully steady, fresh strapped tenderloins steady to fully steady, mostly steady, breast to steady, frozen wing meat and scapula steady to barely steady. Demand on fresh ton breast meat ranged light to instances good, mostly and light to fair on the balance of white meat items with fresh the most active. Offerings of fresh ton breast meat ranged from tight instances adequate, frozen light and held with confidence, balance of white meat uneven with fresh the least available. The undertone mechanically separated turkey was mostly steady. Trading was moderate on ton drums for export, balance light to fair. For domestic (fresh scapula 109, breast trim 117-118 cents delivered. Fresh ton drums traded at 32 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	154.00	25
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	31.00-33.00		31.22	45
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	32.00		32.00	141
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	33.00-34.00		33.52	259
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	45.00		45.00	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	52.00		52.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	81.33	120
NECKS, TOM	16.00-18.00		16.82	330
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	186.00-191.00		187.75	160
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	212.00		212.00	80
THIGH MEAT	64.00		64.00	4
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	83.00		83.00	10
BREAST TRIM MEAT	110.00		110.00	10
SCAPULA MEAT	90.50		90.50	80
TENDERLOINS	143.00		143.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	170.00	60
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	189.00-190.00		189.50	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	94.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	20.00	38
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	20.00-21.00		20.50	80
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	32.00-33.00		32.33	480
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS	33.00		33.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	20.00-26.00		22.84	76
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	60.00-70.00		63.87	282

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

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The market was steady to fully steady on tom drums, at least steady on tom 2-joint wings, steady on tom full-cut wings and tom necks steady to barely steady. Demand on tom bulk parts was fair to good with the best interest noted into export channels, light on necks, balance of tom bulk parts light to fair. Offerings of tom drums light with asking prices trending higher, tom 2-joint wings light and hled with confidence, tom full-cut wings adequate and tom necks adequate to fully adequate. The trade sentiment on frozen thigh meat was steady to instances firm with some sellers reluctant to offer out at current market levels. Inquiry fair to good. Trading centered on fair volumes of fresh tom breast meat and tom necks for domestic shipments and on frozen thigh meat for export, balance light. For domestic (fresh): wing meat 104-108, scapula 104-113 cents delivered.

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		F	154.00	25		
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/						
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	32.00-33.00		32.53	117	32.17	162
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	32.00-33.00		32.23	52	32.23	52
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		R	32.00	141	32.00	141
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	34.50-35.00		34.78	92	33.97	391
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	45.00	14	45.00	14
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	50.00-52.00		50.77	86	50.88	166
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	80.00-81.00		80.50	40	80.50	40
NECKS, TOM	16.00-18.00		17.09	375	16.97	745
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	187.75	160	187.75	160
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	211.00-212.00		211.22	309	211.38	389
THIGH MEAT	64.00		64.00	70	64.82	194
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	78.00		78.00	40	79.00	78
BREAST TRIM MEAT	111.00		111.00	40	110.80	50
SCAPULA MEAT		R	90.50	80	90.50	80
TENDERLOINS		R	143.00	120	143.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	170.00	60		
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	92.00		92.00	20	92.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	187.00-188.00		187.14	139	188.00	219
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	20.00	38		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	22.00		22.00	20	20.95	152
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	32.50		32.50	80	32.36	560
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM						
TAILS		R	33.00	40	33.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	22.84	76	22.84	76
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	64.00-65.00		64.72	282	64.29	564

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